

Appl. No. 09/778,375
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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 16 line 28 and continuing through page 17, line 12 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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Further, the thermal cell actuator may be permanently joined to the article or removable therefrom. The thermal cell actuator may be joined or placed in contact with any portion of the article including but not limited to a location adjacent to the topsheet 24 or backsheet 24 or between the topsheet and backsheet. A removable thermal cell actuator may be constructed either by including frangible bonds to facilitate thermal cell actuator removal from the article or by attaching the thermal cell actuator to the article with separable fasteners, including pressure sensitive adhesive fasteners, mechanical fasteners, hook and loop fasteners, interlocking fasteners, or any other suitable fasteners. Alternatively, the article may include a pocket 300 or other structure into which the thermal cell actuator may be placed, one example of which is shown in Figure 3. In such embodiments, it can be used as an Active External Change Aid Device, as disclosed in co-pending U.S. Application Serial Number _____ 09/778,687 filed in the names of Kline, et al. on February 7th 2001 which is incorporated herein by reference. Removable thermal cell actuators may be constructed in various forms, including small packets in which the user fills a bladder with hot (or cold) water or other fluid, solid, or gel material and attaches it to the article in the region to be heated or cooled.